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The Douglas Pear



*Photograph of a tree planted Spring '20 by Bert Stratmann, Holyrood, Kans
(Taken Sept., 1922).*

Bears the first year. Is blight resistant, unusually vigorous. In quality it is the equal of Bartlett and a far better shipper. In a few years' time it has become the most popular and extensively planted of all Pears.

There Are Reasons. A few of them
are to be found inside.

Originated in Douglas County (Kansas)

and Sold Only By

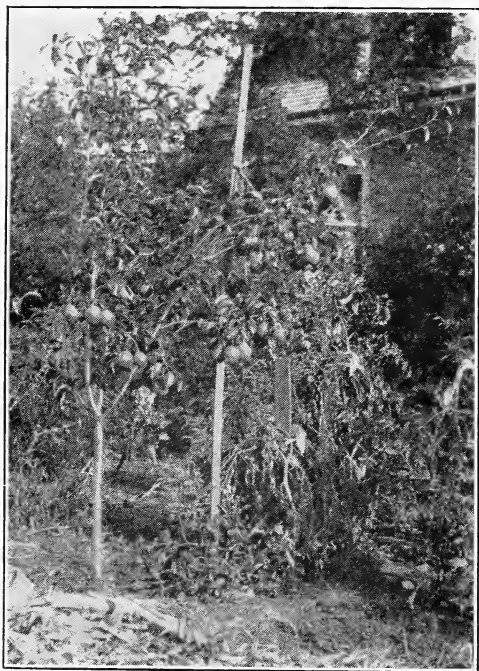
THE MOUNT HOPE NURSERIES

(ESTABLISHED 1869)

LAWRENCE, KANSAS

“Distinctly Better than Kieffer, and particularly attractive in appearance”

Says the U. S. Department of Agriculture.



At 2 yrs. of age they bear so heavily as to require propping.

Holyrood (Ellsworth Co.) Kans.
Sept. 15, '22

Mount Hope Nurseries,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Sirs: The pear tree of which I am sending you picture was purchased of you as a 2 year old the Spring of 1920. It bloomed heavily the next spring but was caught by an extremely heavy frost about Easter time, which I might add, killed fruit of all kinds, even our hardiest apples.

The present season it set and has matured 48 fully developed pears, which the picture would show if it were as clear as I hoped it would be. The middle branch to the right has 12 pears on it and it had to be propped. I have two other trees which had over 30 pears each. If any of your customers can show a better record than this I would like to hear of it. If I had the time I would like to go out over our county and sell every man a half dozen to a dozen trees of this wonderful Pear. It's a WINNER, and no mistake. I never ate a finer tasting Pear than **DOUGLAS**.

Very truly
Bert Stratmann.

Read what W. W. Grigsby, one of Missouri's Largest and Foremost Orchardists has to say for it.

Skidmore, Mo., November 13.

Mount Hope Nurseries, Lawrence, Kansas.

Gentlemen: I have received a bundle of six beautiful pear trees from you people, labeled "Douglas Pear," marked express prepaid. Many thanks to you for them, until you have time to send statement then I will be pleased to remit.

In the meantime I will continue singing the praise of the Douglas Pear. For I say to you gentlemen, after seeing them bear this year, and partaking of the fruit from my my own trees after proper ripening, I am pleased to say the Douglas surpassed any Pear I have ever eaten. They are plenty sweet, and buttery beyond any pear I know. With those qualities they have a snappy, pleasing flavor. They are worthy a place in every home orchard where one loves the **real good things** of this life, and they seem more than anxious to please by returning the planter a hundred-fold for his efforts. The variety deserves at the hands of every property owner a chance to show what it can and will do.

I advise all my neighbors to plant Douglas Pear trees and not be grudgingly about it. They will repay many times over for just an opportunity to grow. The trees are things of beauty and a joy to see growing. I feel that I cannot too highly praise this Pear.

Yours truly, W. W. Grigsby.

N. B. Mr. Grigsby, who started with something like a half dozen trees of DOUGLAS PEAR now has 150, or more, in bearing.

And Mr. O'Neill, he, too, was “from Missouri” but - - -

Well; here is his letter—Read it for yourself.

Sedalia, Mo., Oct. 1st, 1922

Mount Hope Nurseries, Lawrence, Kansas.

Gentlemen: I am sending you photograph of a DOUGLAS PEAR tree which was purchased 2 years ago of your representative here, Mr. J. F. Sutherland. At the time of planting it was a yearling—just a straight stem without any side branches whatever. This season it bore and matured 27 perfect pears, the largest 3 to 4 inches and the smallest $2\frac{1}{2}$ to $3\frac{1}{2}$. The fruit is simply fine, of good size, nicely colored and the quality far beyond anything I had expected.

This tree I send you a picture of is in rather a low spot. Other pears close to it were barren, having suffered from frost, but the DOUGLAS came through without injury, which indicates extreme hardiness.

In my opinion, gentlemen, you have a most remarkable and valuable variety in the DOUGLAS and I recommend it heartily to all who want a REAL pear.

Respectfully,
J. A. O'NEILL.



J. H. O'Neill, Sedalia, Mo. (Sept., 1922).

To make SURE of getting the GENUINE DOUGLAS see that your order is placed with

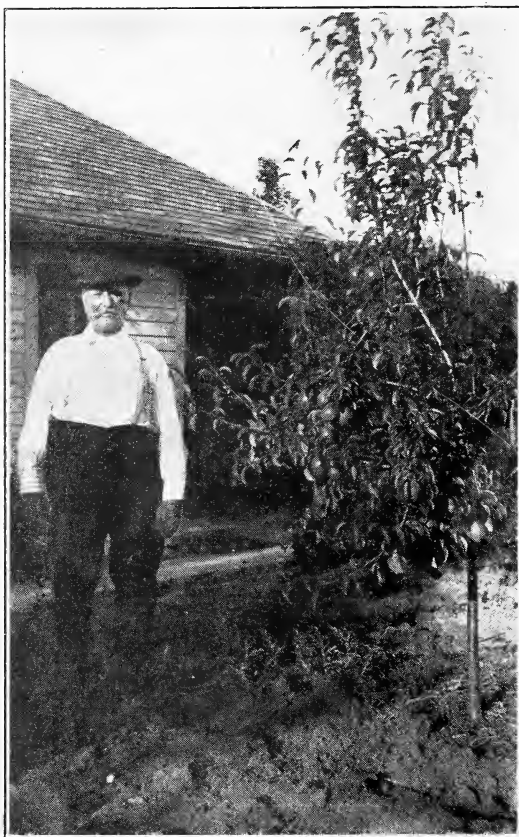
**MOUNT HOPE
NURSERIES
Lawrence, Kansas**

J. H. Hale, the “Peach King” of Georgia, wrote us as follows:

“I am glad to know something of the history of the DOUGLAS Pear, its early bearing and blight resisting qualities. You have tempted me to want to plant a few hundred trees of it here commercially where we are not growing any Pears at all.”

"It has a Future Which no other Fruit has, or can fill"

was the early prediction of A. H. Griesa, the introducer—a prophecy which has come true. There are indeed, very few varieties, if any, which have so rapidly, extensively and successfully proven their own case as this one has.



Here is the way its fame has spread from state to state until now it is being planted from coast to coast and from Canada to the Gulf.

Cuba, Kansas. Oct. 20th, 1922

Mount Hope Nurseries, Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Sirs: I am sending you photographs of my DOUGLAS PEAR trees planted 2 years ago. One tree had 42 good sized pears on it; the other did have 66 but some one helped themselves before I got around to taking the picture. One of our neighbors has a tree of the same age which matured 80 fine specimens of fruit.

The people here think the DOUGLAS PEAR a most remarkable variety; first because it bears so young; second, because it doesn't blight, and third, because of its exceptionally HIGH QUALITY.

Mr. Chas. K. Chruma of Omaha was here and saw our trees. He said he has his place planted full, but he's going to dig up some of his trees to make room for the 12 DOUGLAS PEAR he ordered of me. What do you think of that? You will also find an order for 2 trees from Mr. Fisher. While in the store one day I gave him a DOUGLAS PEAR to eat, and before he had finished it he had me write his order for the 2 trees. That's how easy it is for me to sell them.

Very truly yours,
Frank Benyshek.

Dodge City, Kansas.

Mount Hope Nurseries, Lawrence, Kansas.

Gentlemen: Do you remember sending me three of the Griesa-Douglas Pear trees about three years ago?

I gave one of them to L. G. Meairs and his tree bore fruit the first season. It had a fine crop the second year and this summer it has probably 200 pears on it.

In all the twenty odd years of my experience in the nursery and fruit business I have never seen anything equal to it. I am sure proud to be representing a firm who has given to the horticultural world such a wonderful and valuable variety of fruit.

Yours truly,
A. L. DYE.

GRADES AND PRICES

Two year old, Medium Grade Trees, (3-4 ft.), \$1.25 each; \$14.00 a dozen	Two year old, First Class Trees, (4-5 ft.), \$1.75 each; \$20.00 a dozen	Two year old, Extra Select Trees, (4-6 ft.), \$2.00 each; \$23.00 a dozen
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(The dozen rate applies on orders of 6 or more.)

The photographs and letters covered by this folder came to us unsolicited and without reward. Next season we are going to offer prizes for similar contributions, however, so get your kodak ready and be prepared to compete.